



Mercury Switch Program

Seven Simple Steps

Remove convenience switches from automobiles being demolished.

Report removal (or attempted removal) on DMV Vehicle Disposition History Form VSA44.

Collect complete switch assemblies in ELVS provided containers.

Fill in the information on the label and attach to container.

Keep container closed except when actually using it.

Immediately clean up any mercury spill or release.

This will be a hazardous waste.

Mercury spill residue may NOT be handled as Universal Waste in containers provided by ELVS.

It will require separate management as a hazardous waste.

Contact your [DEQ Regional Office](#) for further information.

Ship collected switches to EQ.

A simple phone call to EQ arranges container delivery and pick-up.

Worker Safety & Training

Anyone handling switches must know removal, handling, spill/emergency response procedures and (if applicable) safety equipment/decontamination methods.

ELVS has information on their website to assist you.

Records

We recommended that you keep records from EQ about your shipments.

Also, keep information for switch removal procedures and worker training/safety/spill procedures.

Contact Information:

For a free mercury switch collection container or to arrange for pick-up of full buckets: call EQ at 734-547-2511

For general program information, educational & training

materials: call ELVS at 877-225-ELVS

For information about hazardous waste management or

Virginia regulations: call DEQ at 1-800-592-5482